

## **CITY OF LODI**

## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE:

Public Benefits Program - Amendment to Existing 'Lodi Residential Appliance Rebate 2000

Program'

MEETING DATE:

September 20, 2000

PREPARED BY:

Electric Utility Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council amend the existing City of Lodi Residential Appliance

Rebate 2000 Program, to include Wal-Mart (located at 2350 W. Kettleman

Lane) as one of the participating local stores.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In May of this year, the City Council approved the Lodi Residential Appliance

Rebate 2000 Program. This program, funded through the City of Lodi Public

Benefits Program, offers a \$100 rebate on the purchase of designated energy

efficient appliances (front-loading clothes washers, manual defrost upright freezers, high efficiency refrigerators, and single-room air conditioners).

One element of the Lodi Residential Appliance Rebate 2000 Program requires Lodi residents to purchase the aforementioned appliances from a local dealer. The original stores included: Anderson Maytag, Ben's Appliance, FILCO of Lodi, Heilig-Meyers of Lodi, Kundert & Bauer, Les' Appliance, and Reo's Appliance Center.

City of Lodi Electric Utility staff recently identified an eighth local store (Wal-Mart) that sells at least one of the energy efficient appliances eligible for the \$100 rebate (the appliance is the single-room air conditioner with a Seasonal Energy Efficiency Rating of 9.0 or better). It is the request, and recommendation, of Electric Utility staff to add Wal-Mart as one of the participating local dealers to the Lodi Residential Appliance Rebate 2000 Program effective upon City Council approval.

**FUNDING**:

164604 - Public Benefits Program Fund - (Category: Demand-side Management)

Funding Approval:

Vicky McAthie, Finance Director

Alan N. Vallow

Electric Utility Director

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City Attorney

APPROVED:

H. Dixon Flynn - City Manager

## RESOLUTION NO. 2000-168

## A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE LODI RESIDENTIAL APPLIANCE REBATE 2000 PROGRAM BY ADDING WAL-MART AS ONE OF THE PARTICIPATING LOCAL DEALERS

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WHEREAS, the State has mandated that beginning January 1, 1998, the City of Lodi is obligated to fund various programs through a Public Benefits Charge (PBC) based on a historical electric revenue requirement; and

WHEREAS, the requirement amounts to approximately \$1 Million per year that must be dedicated to qualifying programs such as energy efficiency. A further stipulation is that these efforts must be done on the customer's side of the meter in order to qualify; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi's Public Benefits Program is comprised of four segments or customer groups: commercial/industrial, residential, community/non-profit, and municipal; and

WHEREAS, the Lodi Residential Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate 2000 Program is the fifth in a series of projects specifically designed for Lodi residential electric customers. The Lodi Residential Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate 2000 project will allow residential customers to receive cash rebates of up to \$400 per service address, by replacing specified older, less energy efficient appliances with more energy efficient models; and

WHEREAS, to participate in the program, residential customers may purchase any or all of the following appliances from participating local dealers (i.e. Anderson Maytag, Ben's Appliance, FILCO of Lodi, Helig-Meyers of Lodi, Kundert & Bauer, Les' Appliance, and Reo's Appliance Center) and receive a \$100.00 rebate for each:

- Energy efficient refrigerator;
- Upright manual defrost freezer;
- · Front loading clothes washer;
- Single-room air conditioner with 9.0 or higher SEER);

WHEREAS, the total rebate could be \$400 per qualified residential customer, and the rebate program will run from June 1, 2000 until funds are depleted; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends adding Wal-Mart as one of the participating local dealers to the Lodi Residential Appliance Rebate 2000 Program.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby approve amending the Lodi Residential Appliance Rebate 2000 Program, by adding Wal-Mart as one of the participating local dealers.

Dated: September 20, 2000

AYES:

NOES:

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2000-168 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held September 20, 2000 by the following vote:

COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS - None

SUSAN J. BLACKSTON

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Hitchcock, Land, Nakanishi, Pennino and Mayor Mann

City Clerk